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1. IO BUREAU APPROVED GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION ARE: BEGIN TEXT:

I. GOALS

-- TO STRENGTHEN U.S. INFLUENCE IN, AND INCREASE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO), THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP), THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC), AND THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD) WITH THE SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE OF THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY.

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- -- TO INCREASE THE PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATIVE EFFICIENCY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND TO IMPROVE THEIR EFFECTIVENESS AS INSTRUMENTS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT. -- TO HELP TO ENSURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD).
- II. SPECIFIC TASKS

- -- IMPROVE U.S.-FAO RELATIONS AT BOTH ROME AND WASHINGTON LEVELS.
- -- INFLUENCE THE FAO PROGRAM OF WORK FOR 1980/81 ALONG THE LINES OF U.S. PRIORITIES, INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOUND FAO PROGRAM OF POST-HARVEST LOSS REDUCTION.
- -- IMPROVE THE OVERALL PROJECT-PROGRAM EVALUATION OF FAO AND WFP, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS IN 1978 ON FAO'S TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAM.
- -- OBTAIN A STRENGTHENED BASIC NEEDS APPROACH IN FAO AND THE WFP WITH EMPHASIS ON ASSISTANCE TO THE MOST NEEDY.
- -- EXTEND THE MOMENTUM ACHIEVED IN THE THIRD WORLD FOOD COUNCIL INTO OTHER ROME AGENCIES' DELIBERATIONS AND MAINTAIN IT IN THE WFC.
- -- RESIST THE INTRODUCTION OF EXTRANEOUS POLITICAL ISSUES IN MULTILATERAL DEBATES IN ALL OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS.
- -- STRENGTHEN THE INITIAL, POSITIVE STEPS TAKEN TOWARD CLOSER FAO AND UNDP COOPERATION AT THE FIELD LEVEL, WORK TO ALIGN WFP PROJECTS MORE CLOSELY WITH OTHER ASSISTANCE FROM UNDP, WORLD BANK, ETC., AND ENSURE THAT IFAD PROJECTS ARE PLANNED AND IMPLEMENTED IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH EXISTING INSTITUTIONS.
- -- MAXIMIZE U.S. PRESENCE IN SECRETARIATS AND ESPECIALLY PLACEMENT OF U.S. CANDIDATES IN THE WFP PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION.
- -- ASSIST WFP IN DEFENDING ITS PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES CONFIDENTIAL

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VIS-A-VIS FAO AND ENCOURAGE THE NEW WFP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO GIVE CRITICAL REVIEW TO THE PROGRAM'S MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS.

- -- CONDUCT A ZERO-BASED BUDGETING REVIEW OF THE FAO PROGRAM OF WORK THROUGH THE GENEVA GROUP.
- -- IMPROVE COORDINATION BETWEEN U.S. BILATERAL ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS THE SAHEL, AND FAO PROGRAMS.
- -- SUPPORT A LEAN BUT ADEQUATE STAFF FOR IFAD. END TEXT.

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